



NATIONAL SHRINE OF SAINT FRANCIS OF ASSISI

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Very Reverend John De La Riva, O.F.M. Cap., Rector

MOST REVEREND SALVATORE J. CORDILEONE, J.C.D.

ARCHBISHOP OF SAN FRANCISCO

August 16, 2020

20th Sunday of Ordinary Time

“O woman, great is your faith!”

— *Mt 15:28*



CONFESSIONS

MONDAY—SATURDAY:
11:00 AM—12:00 Noon

Also by appointment

NATIONAL SHRINE HOURS—FOR INDIVIDUAL PRIVATE PRAYER

*VISITORS ARE EXPECTED TO OBSERVE FACE COVERING AND DISTANCING PRACTICES

HISTORIC CHURCH: 10:00AM - 5:00PM MONDAY - SATURDAY

10:00AM - 2:00PM SUNDAY

OPEN CERTAIN HOLIDAYS

SUSPENDED FOR PANDEMIC MITIGATION UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

- **HOLY MASS SCHEDULE**
- **PORZIUNCOLA NUOVA CHAPEL VISITOR HOURS**
- **SATURDAY ROSARY AND DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET**

Marriages at the Shrine * Due to the Covid-19 restrictions, no new requests are being accepted for consideration until further notice

Baptisms No requests being taken until further notice

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SUNDAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Thus says the LORD: “Stand firm in justice; do what is right” (*Isaiah 56:1, 6-7*).

Psalms — O God, let all the nations praise you! (*Psalms 67*).

Second Reading — The gifts and the calling of God are unable to be revoked (*Romans 11:13-15, 29-32*).

Gospel — Recognizing the Canaanite woman's great faith, Jesus told her, “It shall be done as you wish” (*Matthew 15:21-28*).

DAILY MASS READINGS

Monday: Ez 24:15-24; Dt 32:18-21; Mt 19:16-22

Tuesday: Ez 28:1-10; Dt 32:26-28, 30, 35cd-36ab; Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday: *St. John Eudes*
Ez 34:1-11; Ps 23:1-6; Mt 20:1-16

Thursday: *St. Bernard*
Ez 36:23-28; Ps 51:12-15, 18-19; Mt 22:1-14

Friday: *St. Pius X, Pope*
Ez 37:1-14; Ps 107:2-9; Mt 22:34-40

Saturday: *Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary*
Ez 43:1-7ab; Ps 85:9ab, 10-14; Mt 23:1-12

FEAST OF ST. MAXIMILLIAN KOLBE, OFM. Conv.

August 14

Shrine Rector Fr. John celebrated the 12:15pm Mass by including the relic of Saint Maximilian on the consecration table.

Kolbe was martyred in the Auschwitz concentration camp in 1941. He was canonized in 1982 by Pope John Paul II.



DEAR GUESTS & VISITORS

We are grateful to those whose ongoing support and generosity assist us in maintaining the life of the National Shrine. To further our efforts in making capital improvements around the facilities such as the renovation of our lower Hall, your financial contributions go a long way toward meeting these goals. Your donations are greatly appreciated. Pace et Bene

Blessing of St. Francis of Assisi

“God bless you and keep you. May God smile on you, and be merciful to you; May God turn his regard towards you and give you peace. May God bless you.”



Mass Intentions — August 16 to 22

Sunday	11:00 am	Shrine Community (<i>Intention</i>)
Monday	12:15 pm	Archbishop Salvatore Cordileone (<i>Intention</i>)
Tuesday	12:15 pm	† Kelly & Gary Schmidt
Wednesday	12:15 pm	Pascual Hothadi (<i>Intention</i>)
Thursday	12:15 pm	† Jesus Yamat
Friday	12:15 pm	† Mr. Adora Visperas
Saturday	12:15 pm	Arrow Osborne (<i>Intention</i>)

Health & Safety in the Pandemic

Everyone must wear a face covering...

Covering your face is now mandatory and helps prevent the spread of COVID-19.



Masks, bandanas, scarves, and cloth can be used.

...and stay 6 feet apart distance if not from the same household

ST. MICHAEL PRAYER

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the Devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.



Recited daily following Mass.

The Capuchins

Reflections on the Wisdom of St. Francis

by Fr. Bobby

Let them always make a home and a dwelling place there for Him Who is the Lord God, Almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. (Earlier Rule, Chapter 22)

Francis saw that the call of every Christian is to become a home for the blessed Trinity. The one who exemplified this above all was the Blessed Virgin Mary, who in obedience to the Father said yes to the overshadowing of the Holy Spirit to become the mother of the Word made flesh, the Son of God. Francis hailed her as "daughter and servant of the most high and supreme King and of the Father in heaven, mother of our most holy Lord Jesus Christ, Spouse of the Holy Spirit." (Antiphon from the *Office of the Passion*). He always looked to her for help in opening his own life to God, and he was grateful for the graces he received through her, especially at her little church, the Portiuncula, dedicated to her as the Queen of the Angels. May the Lord bless and keep you always!

Fr. Robert Barbato, OFM Cap. is the pastor of Old Mission Santa Inés in Solvang, CA.

Solvang-based statue of Junipero Serra will stay; petition for removal gains strength

Lisa Andre, Santa Maria Times; August 11

The Archdiocese of Los Angeles has announced that Solvang's Friar Junipero Serra statue located at the entrance to **Mission Santa Inés** will remain on mission grounds despite a petition calling for its removal.



In their statement, archdiocese officials explained the statue is not a historical monument or civic memorial but "an image of a saint set to encourage us to treat one another with love and respect as our Catholic faith teaches us."

"As a place of worship for thousands of Catholic faithful, we respectfully must affirm our First Amendment right to keep the statue of St. Junipero Serra safely on our mission grounds where it stands and where the faithful can visit and venerate it," the statement read.

Lompoc resident Maurissa Vigil, 26, a Black Lives Matter organizer who is spearheading the appeal for the statue's removal, said that as of Sunday a petition launched via Change.org has reached over 1,000 signatures. The initial goal was 500.

"Solvang is a tourist town and having a statue of a murderer sends the wrong message to visitors and residents alike," Vigil said, referring to historical findings on Serra that point to his mistreatment of Native Americans during his ministry between 1769 and 1823, during which he founded nine of 23 California Spanish missions and reportedly baptized more than 6,000 native people.

A peaceful protest calling for the statue's removal is set for August 22, although a location has yet to be determined.

The Solvang statue has been the center of controversy as an increasing number of Junipero Serra statues located throughout California have either been removed, vandalized or relocated.

The Junipero Serra statue in front of Ventura's City Hall was recently relocated following public calls for its removal. The statue at Mission Santa Inés, however, is on private property over which the city of Solvang has no jurisdiction.

Solvang Mayor Ryan Toussaint said that it would be unconstitutional for the city to intervene in the matters of a Mission.

"Mission Santa Inés is not city-owned land," Toussaint said. "Also in Ventura, I believe that the decision was to relocate the statues, or at least one of them, to their mission, Basilica San Buenaventura."

Vigil now will redirect her petition from the city to the church, after claiming she received no response from Toussaint's office.

Kenneth Kahn, tribal chairman for the Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Indians, said the tribe is not affiliated with the petition and that members have no comment at this point.

He did confirm the tribe has begun a dialogue with the Archdiocese of Los Angeles about the future of the statue.

In their statement, archdiocese officials acknowledged that California's history, including the Spanish colonial era, presents issues that need to be discussed, especially the relationship between Indigenous peoples and those who came later from many parts of the world.

"[...] we want to express our concern and understanding of the pain expressed by some native peoples in California because of the crimes committed against their ancestors during colonial days," the statement read.

Archdiocese officials said they welcome continued dialogue with residents of the Santa Ynez Valley but maintain that "there is no historical support for the attack on [Junipero Serra's] character found in the wording of the petition and subsequent statements."

From Santa Maria Times: Note from Fr. Bobby Barbato, Pastor of Mission Santa Inés

There are many historians who have written about Junipero Serra, taking various stances regarding his life and legacy. A well researched book from 2015 is "Junipero Serra: California, Indians and the Transformation of a Missionary," by respected historians Rose Marie Beebe and Robert M. Senkewicz. In speaking about interviews done in 1986 when Serra's beatification was being proposed, they note "[t]he interviewers insisted, correctly, that there was little evidence that Serra himself personally abused the Indians with whom he directly dealt and that there was also little evidence of widespread forced conversions during the time he was missionary president." You might also look up some of the work by Dr. Ruben Mendoza of CSU Monterey Bay.

News and Events

NINE ORDAINED TO THE ORDER OF PERMANENT DIACONATE

Please pray for the new Deacons and their wives for the Archdiocese of San Francisco:

Robert & Lisa Andrews
David & Elizabeth (Beth) Bernstein
Richard & Jennifer Dizon
Jose & Luica Hernandez
John & Diane Hurst
Daniel & Maria (Lupe) Kaatz
Emilio & Marie Lucero
Albert & Abba Nimri
Raymond & Ofelia Smit

They were ordained on Saturday, August 15 by Archbishop Cordileone in a private ceremony at St. Pius Church, Redwood City.



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POPE ASKS FOR MARY'S INTERCESSION TO OVERCOME PANDEMIC

Pope Francis asks the Blessed Virgin Mary to intercede so that humanity might overcome the novel coronavirus, as the Church prepares to celebrate the feast of her Assumption. By Devin Watkins, Vatican News

In his greetings during the Wednesday (Aug. 12) General Audience, Pope Francis looked ahead to the Solemnity of the Assumption of Mary, celebrated on 15 August.

Greeting the Polish-speaking faithful, the Pope recalled the Blessed Virgin Mary's role in the "Miracle of the Vistula," which took place 100 years ago.

Overcome the unseen enemy

On 15 August 1920, the Polish Army won a decisive victory over Soviet forces at the Battle of Warsaw, which was attributed to Mary's intercession. The day is also marked as Polish Armed Forces Day.

"May the Mother of God today help humanity to defeat the coronavirus," said Pope Francis, "and may she assure generous blessings for you, your families, and all the Polish people."

He also expressed his spiritual support for the hundreds of Catholics taking part in a pilgrimage to the Shrine of the Black Madonna of Czestochowa.

"May this pilgrimage, undertaken with care due to the pandemic, be for all a moment of reflection, prayer, and fraternity in faith and love," he prayed.

Model of solidarity

Our Lady of the Assumption is also the patroness of France.

Pope Francis prayed the Mary might "strengthen [the] faith and hope" of the French people.

"May she help you always to resist selfishness, indifference, and individualism to build a more fraternal society built on solidarity.

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http://www.vatican.va/archive/compendium_ccc/documents/archive_2005_compendium-ccc_en.html

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*Please note: The St. Francis Church, the Porziuncola Nuova Chapel, and the Rectory residence together constitute the properties of the National Shrine of St. Francis of Assisi.